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PRICE ONE CENT
ON TRAINS FIVE CENTS

FRENCH BAYONETS CUT WAY INTO DOUAMONT AND TAKE POSSESSION OF STRONGHOLD

GERMANS RETAIN ONLY ONE ANGLE OF GREAT FORT

Nivelle Orders Attack While
Foe Concentrates on Dead
Man Hill.

RECAPTURE IS RECEIVED
WITH ELATION BY PARIS

Sweep, Singing, Over Teuton
Defenders, Who Resist
With Stubbornness.

PARIS, May 23.—Fighting continued all Monday night with extreme violence on both banks of the Meuse along the Verdun front. Two German counter attacks on French positions on Hill 304 failed completely, the war office announced this afternoon.

The French made further gains within Fort Douaumont. The Germans now hold only a small angle on the north-western corner of the fort.

The German official statement, however, asserts that while the French have taken some first-line positions of the Douaumont, Fort Douaumont remains firmly in German hands.

Fight at Hill 304 Severe.
The battle around Hill 304 was especially severe. In attacking French positions on the west side of the hill the Germans used liquid gas, the official statement says and penetrated a French trench but were dislodged at once.

The principal fighting east of the Meuse was in the sector between Thiaumont and Douaumont. The Germans attacked in mass formation and are said to have suffered enormous losses.

Elated by Recapture.
Recapture by the French after three months of the greater part of Fort Douaumont, which was taken by the Germans at the outset of their Verdun drive, is received with great elation by the press and the public, the more so on account of the effect it is expected to have on neutral opinion.

General Nivelle, the French commander at Verdun, took advantage of the fact that the Germans recently have been concentrating all their attention on Dead Man Hill, on the other side of the river and assembled a large amount of artillery for the attack on the Douaumont sector.

Boldness Advance Singing.
On Sunday General Nivelle began a heavy artillery attack on Fort Douaumont and adjacent positions. The hour fixed for the infantry assault was 4:30 p. m. Monday, when the moment came. French infantry, which had been carefully selected and trained, began the advance, singing the "Marseillaise." The German resistance at some points was stubborn.

Advance With Bayonets.
At the Froide Terre road and at Douaumont, the French had to force back the German infantry inch by inch at the point of the bayonet. The leading French contingents reached Fort Douaumont at 8 o'clock. They killed the Germans who retreated and sent to the rear a large number of prisoners. As soon as they recovered from their surprise the Germans launched a number of fierce counter attacks but all failed and by 10 p. m. preparations had been completed to deal with the serious efforts the Germans are expected to make to recapture the lost positions.

Austrians Drive Back Italians

BERLIN, May 23.—The Austrians are successfully continuing their offensive against the Italians in southern Tyrol according to the war office announcement Tuesday. They have advanced on both sides of the Brenno valley driving the Italians before them.

Cost of War to England \$24,100,000 A Day, Says Asquith

LONDON, May 23.—In moving the vote of credit for \$1,500,000,000 as had been forecast, in the course of commons Tuesday, Premier Asquith commented that this was the eleventh year since the beginning of the war and the second for the current financial year. The total granted this year, he added, was \$2,000,000,000, making a grand total of \$11,210,000,000.

The premier said that an expenditure of \$1,200,000,000 in 1915 and \$2,000,000,000 in 1916 was a daily average of \$24,100,000 was the highest rate reached by Great Britain in any such period during the war.

Without that financial assistance it is literally true that the combined operations of the allies could not be prosecuted with success and efficiency. He declared that the war is the ally.

Empire Builder Seriously Ill



James J. Hill.

ST. PAUL, Minn., May 23.—The illness of James J. Hill, railroad builder and capitalist, is causing much concern to his friends. Mr. Hill has not been at his office since last Wednesday, but his condition Tuesday was said to show improvement.

CARRANZA SENDS LARGE FORCE TO PURSUE BANDITS

Orders Thirty Thousand
Troops Into Region South
of Border.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The Carranza government has ordered 30,000 troops into the region south of the border to exterminate bandits according to information received Tuesday at the state department. General Obregon's original orders issued after his conference at El Paso with Generals Scott and Panama, ordered 10,000 men to General Trevino to police thoroughly the territory south of the American expedition. The new troop movements are already in progress through Chihuahua, the department's advice state.

CHURCH BACKS MOVE FOR FEDERAL PROHIBITION

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 23.—Endorsement of the constitutional amendment providing for federal prohibition is contained in the report of the committee on prohibition of the Cumberland Presbyterian church which was adopted at the business session of the eighty-sixth general assembly of the church here Tuesday.

Fair Wednesday; No temperature change

LOCAL FORECAST—Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; continued warm.
STATE FORECAST—Tonight and Wednesday, fair and warmer.
Maximum yesterday, 87; minimum, 55.

KANSAS—Unsettled tonight; Wednesday showers; change in temperature.

YOU CAN LEAD A HORSE TO WATER, BUT SOME MEN ARE MORE STUBBORN

"Zimmie"

SHOOTING AT HUSBAND - KISSING OTHER WOMAN NOT DIVORCE GROUND

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 23.—A husband is not entitled to a divorce merely because his wife throws a span of corn at him, when she sees him kiss another woman, nor because she further emphasizes her disapproval by shooting a revolver. The Kansas City court of appeals in a decision Monday when it set aside a decree of the Benton county circuit court granting a divorce to Mr. J. H. Miller of Iowa, Mo.

The appeals court took the view that the provocative circumstances must be considered in judging the acts of the wife.

Billy Sunday May Come In Three Years

Dr. Baird and J. E. Marrs Return From Conference at Kansas City.

Notwithstanding reports that Billy Sunday is "booked" ahead for four years, the celebrated evangelist who now has Kansas City in a veritable ferment of religious excitement and thousands of Kansas Cityans "hitting the trail" may come to Oklahoma City for a great revival within a period of three years. This was the word brought back last night by Dr. Phil Baird and J. E. Marrs of the Minnesota Lumber company, pastor and elder respectively of the First Presbyterian church.

So impressed was Dr. Baird after two days' attendance upon the evangelist's Kansas City services that he will preach next Sunday evening on "Billy Sunday and His Methods." The minister made the following statement this morning:

"It is extremely difficult for delegates to see Billy Sunday, having met him and his wife on the chautauque platform some time ago. I again met her and was taken to the room where two attendants were rubbing down the evangelist. He just shook hands and said 'Hello.' His wife, 'Ma' Sunday, who seems to be the general manager of the party of states, after hearing about Oklahoma City stated that she had learned a great deal about it before and that there surely was hope of Billy coming here just as soon as those cities of more than 100,000 population had been visited by him. She gave us much encouragement and led us to hope that Billy might come within three years."

BOND COMPANIES AFTER BIG ISSUE IN OKLAHOMA CITY

Commissioner Mike Donnelly has received no less than one hundred letters in the past two days asking for information regarding the coming bond sale. These letters were from bond companies in the market for the Oklahoma City water bonds.

"We will receive a large sized premium on the water bonds if they sell at four and one-half percent," stated Mike Donnelly this morning. "If the bonds sell for five percent of course they will bring a larger premium."

Dallas, Texas, recently sold \$250,000 worth of sewer bonds for a premium of more than 10 percent. I believe that ours will far exceed that sale."

Taggart Says River Measure Is Sending Coin to Scrapheap

WASHINGTON, May 23.—An amendment to the river and harbor appropriation bill relating to the maintenance provisions for the Mississippi river between St. Louis and Minneapolis from \$1,200,000 to \$1,500,000 was agreed to by the senate Tuesday.

During the debate Senator Taggart of Indiana (democrat) announced that unless from \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 was cut from the \$1,500,000 measure he would oppose it.

"I refuse to be a party to sending," he said, "the United States treasury to the scrap heap for the benefit of every little river or inlet in the country."

Troopers' Actions Cause Complaint

EL PASO, Texas, May 23.—Complaint against the action of American troops at Acremon in the Casas Grandes district was received by General Gavira in Juarez Tuesday in a telegram from the mayor of the town.

AMERICAN'S RELEASE ASKED OF BRITAIN

WASHINGTON, May 23.—Representations have been made by the state department to the British government, it was learned Tuesday in behalf of J. B. Starr-Hunt, an American citizen formerly of New York and San Antonio, Texas, held at Singapore. Representative Clayton of Texas informed the department that the man had been held several months without a hearing. His transfer to London for trial is being

COUNTY INTENDS TO ARREST MANY CIDER SELLERS

Chemical Analyses of Seized Beverage Show Large Amounts of Alcohol.

BELIEVE CIDER IS DOPED. SAYS ATTORNEY SELBY

Policeman Became Ill After Drinking Half Glass of Alleged Booze.

Chemical analyses made by City Chemist E. H. Clifford today of 100 twenty-one samples of cider seized in police raids yesterday and last night, showed it contained from 3 to 15 percent of alcohol. The law prohibits the sale of drinks having more than one-half of 1 percent of alcohol.

Wholesale arrests of persons alleged to have sold the "doped" cider are expected this afternoon, according to reports at the police station and county attorney's office.

Chemist Clifford worked several hours this morning on his tests. The smallest amount of alcohol found was 3 percent, or 15 percent more than the law allows. The highest was 15 percent. Fifty-one of the twenty-one samples showed 15 percent.

Charles H. Selby, assistant county attorney, who started investigations into the selling of the "doped" cider today that every person selling the "doped" drinks will be vigorously prosecuted.

If the analyses of the city chemist shows more than one-half of 1 percent alcohol, or anything else in the cider that is prohibited by the law, said Selby this morning, "the county attorney's office will prosecute the seller to the extent of the law. We are convinced we will not find a human being who is not fit for a human being to drink, and if the drinking persons do not quit the rotten stuff they may not be here long to tell the story."

The police raided a number of cold drink establishments last night, where older was being sold. James A. McCabe, proprietor of a place at 25 West Main street, was arrested on a charge of maintaining a place where intoxicating liquors were sold. An analysis of cider alleged to have been sold at McCabe's place showed that it contained 15 percent of alcohol.

While on the crusade last night, a policeman, named as being on duty at the time, before he got back to the police station a few minutes afterward he was ill.

PROVIDENT HOME MAY BE PLANNED ON UNIT SYSTEM

F. D. Bearly, Committee and City Officials to Observe Tulsa Idea.

The unit school and public building system, which is said to have solved a vexatious problem in many places, has been called to the attention of the Provident association's board of directors and Oklahoma City's commissioners and it is likely, if new and better ideas are not advanced, that the central home charity home authorized last Saturday by the people's vote will be erected along unit plans.

President F. D. Bearly of the Provident association has been written by the safety, the freedom, the playground and other exciting facilities afforded by the unit plan, and he, with city commissioners and others who will be a committee of inquiry, will very soon visit Tulsa, where a unit school has been established to study the various phases of construction and utility and make report of their advisability.

FOUR SHIPS GO DOWN. ONE NORWEGIAN BOAT

LONDON, May 23.—The Norwegian steamer Thoma has been sunk near Alcock, Island of Malaya, by a submarine. The crew of seventeen was saved. Lloyd's also reported the sinking of three ships. The Greek steamship Adamantia Kostas of 2,441 tons gross was sunk by the Austrians in the Mediterranean. The crew was saved. The Italian sailing vessel Euboea-P was sunk in the Mediterranean. The British steamship Rheneas of 2,500 tons gross was sunk by a mine. Seven of the crew were killed.

Troopers Charge In Autos, Dashing Through Night At Sixty Miles an Hour

FIELD HEADQUARTERS, May 23.—Villagers in Columbus, N. M., May 23.—Automobiles were put to a new military use in the Villa campaign on Sunday when the bandit leader, General Juarez, was killed. Three touring cars from General J. J. Pershing's camp started about midday for Rancho San Miguel de Rubio, a short run across the residence of the Cardenas family, and the scene of some post-shooting action. The automobiles made a first dash

KAISER SOON TO GO TO AUSTRO-ITALIAN FRONT

PARIS, May 23.—The German emperor, according to a Geneva dispatch to the Times, is soon to pay a visit to the

REPUBLICAN MEETING TO EQUAL CIRCUS FOR NOISE AND AMUSEMENT

CHICAGO, May 23.—Indications are that the republican national convention of 1916 will be one of the loudest and most amusing in the history of the party.

With sixteen candidates for president in the field, with the result undecided until the last ballot has been taken, there is likely to be an unusual amount of noise and enthusiasm every day the convention is in session.

Frank W. Phelps, chairman of the local committee on arrangements, was informed Monday that plans have been made to bring more than one hundred bands and fifty glee and marching clubs to Chicago during the convention week.

Oil Exchange Would Center Business Here

Project to Be Launched at Meeting Tonight; Plans Already Outlined.

An oil stock exchange, which would tend to centralize the oil business in Oklahoma City, will be proposed tonight at a meeting to be held at 555 Campbell building of probably a dozen men heavily interested in oil production. The meeting will open at 7:30 o'clock.

The scheme of such an exchange will be presented by those who have agreed to finance an oil exchange. It will be made of Oklahoma oil stocks that are listed on mining and oil exchanges of other states but have no stock exchange representation in the state of Oklahoma and other matters of import to the industry and the city will be brought up for discussion.

It is said that these prominent oil men have agreed to finance an oil exchange if others do not contribute sufficient funds to be prescribed probably at tonight's meeting.

Tentative plans have been prepared by those who originated the idea and these doubtless will be acted on tonight.

RAILROAD CHIEFS AND NEW ORLEANS MEN ON A VISIT

Coming not only for the purpose of attending the grain dealers' convention but to observe general conditions in Oklahoma, especially in Oklahoma City, several prominent officials of the Texas & Pacific railway and business men of New Orleans arrived here today for a visit of two days.

The party traveled in General Traffic Manager N. M. Leach's private car and included Mr. Leach, whose headquarters are at New Orleans, President Sanders of the New Orleans board of trade, President Harding of the New Orleans board of commissioners, J. M. Griffin, assistant general traffic manager of the T. & P. at Dallas, J. R. Williams, foreign freight agent with headquarters at New Orleans, F. H. Isidore, commercial agent at Kansas City.

The party was the guest today of M. C. Bailey, commercial agent at Oklahoma City.

FORMER OKLAHOMAN IN WESTERN PRISON

The local Bertillon office today received a photograph for the office files of Sol Alexander, former citizen of Oklahoma City but now serving a two-year term in prison at San Quentin, Cal. Alexander was sentenced from Long Beach, Cal., Jan. 9, 1914, on a charge of kidnapping a woman out of \$250.

Alexander arrived as police inspector in Oklahoma City under the states administration but was removed after serving a few months.

Find Poison Still Patent

The poison crystals were found in an ash heap in the basement of the building. They were taken by the state to a chemical laboratory, where a careful analysis revealed their strength to be 40 percent sufficient. It is said to kill every student in the Ingersoll boarding high school, where Morton was a student.

State Attorney Ralph J. Dool, in his opening statement will ask why, if the elder triplet believed the girl a suicide and his son innocent, he acted as he did, and why he misstated the condition of the exceedingly powerful drug.

INSURANCE RATES REDUCED TENTH IN NEW SCHEDULES PROPOSED FOR THIS CITY

Her Gavel to Rule 20,000 Club Women



Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker.
Mrs. Pennybacker is president of the General Federation of Women's clubs and will preside at the thirteenth biennial convention just beginning in New York.

JURY FOR ORPET MURDER TRIAL IS NEAR COMPLETION

Presiding Judge Predicts Panel Will Be Filled Before Night.

WATKIN, Ill. Judge Charles H. Donnelly, sitting in the case of William J. Orpet, University of Wisconsin student, charged with the murder of Merion Lambert, Lake Forest high school, said he predicted that the jury in the case would be completed before adjournment Tuesday. The selection of the jury this far has been a tedious matter, the selection of the jury resulting in the selection of only two men. Progress was more rapid Monday, two men being tentatively accepted by both sides and two more passed by the defense, making eight in the jury box when court opened Tuesday. Celesta Youker, the girl to whom Orpet was said to have been engaged, asserted her belief in his innocence Monday.

It was rumored Monday that the battle alleged by the state to be the condition in which Orpet carried poison in the girl was in the possession of the prosecution. State's Attorney Dooly refused to discuss the report.

Hints Destruction of Evidence.
That Edward is expected to resist on evidence against his son which he disposed of a quantity of the same kind of poison which caused Merion Lambert's death will be the contention of the state in the famous murder case now on trial in Watkings.

The elder Orpet caretaker on the estate of Cyrus McCormick, instructed a "buffalo" to get rid of the stuff in the greenhouse, "because it was so weak it was no longer satisfactory" as a germicide in the destruction of plant parasites.

MAN DISAPPEARS; HIS WIFE FEARS FOR HIM

No trace of Homer Julian, who disappeared from the Cadillac hotel late last Thursday, had been discovered by officers up to noon today. Julian was employed by the Western Bank Supply company at the time of his disappearance. His wife stated that he was recovering from an operation. When last seen at the hotel Thursday he had \$10 in his possession. His wife fears foul play.

INSTRUCT FOR COLONEL

TOPPERA, Kan., May 23.—Kansas prisoners authorized here Tuesday in their state convention for the express purpose, as set forth in the call, of sending delegates to the Chicago convention, June 7, to nominate Theodore Roosevelt for president and to perpetuate the policies of the new party.

You read about—

Supreme court decision in Comstock case, American mines in Mexico looted by bandits, Carranza's new order on border situation exclusively in The Times yesterday afternoon.

The state compromise story played up by one paper was identical with a story published last Friday by The Times.

THE TIMES PRINTS ALL THE NEWS FIRST.